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DOT-E 10031
(SIXTH REVISION)

EXPIRATION DATE: May 31, 2002

(FOR RENEWAL, SEE 49 CFR § 107.109)

1. GRANTEE: MG Industries
Malvern, PA

(See Appendix A to this document for a list of additional grantees)

2. PURPOSE AND LIMITATION:

a. This exemption authorizes the use of a non-DOT specification, insulated portable tank for liquefied helium, and provides no relief from any regulation other than as specifically stated.

b. The safety analyses performed in development of this exemption only considered the hazards and risks associated with transportation in commerce.

3. REGULATORY SYSTEM AFFECTED: 49 CFR Parts 106, 107 and 171-180.
4. REGULATIONS FROM WHICH EXEMPTED: 49 CFR §§ 172.203, 173.318, 173.320, 176.30 and 176.76(h).
5. BASIS: This exemption is based on MG Industries' application dated June 19, 2000, submitted in accordance with § 107.109.

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6. HAZARDOUS MATERIALS (49 CFR § 172.101):

| Hazardous materials description/proper shipping name | Hazard Class/ Division | Identification number | Packing Group |
|--|------------------------|-----------------------|---------------|
| Helium, refrigerated liquid | 2.2 | UN1963 | n/a |

7. PACKAGING AND SAFETY CONTROL MEASURES:

a. PACKAGING - Packaging prescribed is an insulated non-DOT specification portable tank designed and constructed in accordance with Section VIII of the ASME Code and subparagraph 7.a. of this exemption. The portable tank is enclosed in an ISO type frame. The portable tank is vacuum-insulated with a supplemental liquid nitrogen shield. Design pressure is 81 PSIG (MAWP = 64 PSIG) for the internal tank, and 23 PSIG (MAWP = 6 PSIG) for the liquid nitrogen tank. Design temperature is -452 °F for the inner tank and any part, valve or fitting that may come in contact with the helium lading; and -320 °F, for the liquid nitrogen tank and any part, valve or fitting that may come in contact with liquid nitrogen. Nominal water capacity is 10,812 (U.S.) gallons for the inner tank and 385 (U.S.) gallons for the nitrogen tank. Tank material is SA 240 Type 304 stainless steel for the inner tank and the nitrogen tank; and SA 516 Gr.70 for the outer jacket.

b. Each portable tank must conform to Universal Cryogenics Corporation drawings cited below, and calculations and specifications on file with the Office of Hazardous Materials Exemptions and Approvals (OHMEA).

Q275-A-06 Rev A dated September 16, 1987,
Q275-A 51 Rev 0 dated September 9, 1987,
Q275-A-55 Rev A dated September 21, 1987,
Q275-B-01 Rev A dated September 11, 1987,
Q275-J-03 Rev 0 dated September 9, 1987,
Q275-L-05 Rev A dated September 10, 1987.

c. TESTING - In addition, each tank must conform with § 178.338, except as follows:

(1) Impact testing is not required for stainless steels used for lading warmer than -425°F.

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(2) § 178.338-10 does not apply.

(3) The portable tank need not conform with § 178.338-13(b) or (c). Lifting lugs, framework and any anchoring to the inner tank, the nitrogen shield tank or the tank jacket must conform with § 178.338-13(a). Portable tanks that meet the definition of "container" must meet the requirements of 49 CFR Parts 450 thru 453, and each design must be qualified in accordance with § 178.270-13(c).

d. MARKING - "DOT-E 10031" must replace the mark "MC 338".

e. No new construction of the portable tanks manufactured under the terms of this exemption is authorized after January 31, 1995.

8. SPECIAL PROVISIONS:

a. A person who is not a holder of this exemption who receives a package covered by this exemption may reoffer it for transportation provided no modifications or changes are made to the package and it is reoffered for transportation in conformance with this exemption and the HMR.

b. A copy of this exemption must be carried aboard each motor vehicle and cargo vessel used to transport packages covered by this exemption.

c. Each portable tank must be reinspected and retested once every 5 years in accordance with § 173.32(e), as prescribed for DOT Specification 51 portable tanks, at a pressure (in PSIG) of 14.7 plus one and one-fourth times the sum of the design pressure plus the static head.

d. Each portable tank must be plainly marked "DOT-E 10031" on both sides near the middle, in letters at least two inches high on a contrasting background.

e. Each portable tank must be prepared and shipped as required in § 173.318, as applicable for the lading.

f. Shipments by cargo vessel must conform with the following:

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- (1) The package must conform with § 176.76(h).
- (2) The legend "One-Way Travel Time _____ Hours" or "OWTT _____ Hours" must be marked on the shipping paper and on the dangerous cargo manifest immediately after the container description. The OWTT is determined by the formula:

$$\text{OWTT} = \text{MRHT} - 24 \text{ hours.}$$

- (3) A written record of the portable tank's pressure and ambient (outside) temperature at the following times must be prepared for each shipment.

- (i) At the start of each trip;
- (ii) Immediately before and after any manual venting;
- (iii) At least every 24 hours; and
- (iv) At the destination point.

- (4) Any lading pressure control valve or road relief valve set at a pressure lower than that prescribed for the (safety) pressure relief valve must be closed during transportation by cargo vessel.

g. No person may transport or offer for transportation a charged portable tank unless the pressure of the lading is equal to or less than that used to determine the marked rated holding time and the OWTT is equal to or greater than the elapsed time between the start and termination of travel.

h. The actual holding time for each tank must be determined after each shipment. If it is determined that the actual holding time is less than 90 percent of the MRHT of the tank, the tank may not be refilled until it is restored to its MRHT or the tank is re-marked with the holding time determined by this exemption.

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i. Shippers using the packaging covered by this exemption must comply with all provisions of this exemption, and all other applicable requirements contained in 49 CFR Parts 100-180.

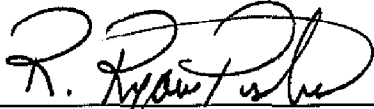
9. MODES OF TRANSPORTATION AUTHORIZED: Motor vehicle and cargo vessel.
10. MODAL REQUIREMENTS: No additional requirements other than those in the HMR.
11. COMPLIANCE: Failure by a person to comply with any of the following may result in suspension or revocation of this exemption and penalties prescribed by the Federal hazardous materials transportation law 49 U.S.C. 5101 et seq:
- o All terms and conditions prescribed in this exemption and the Hazardous Materials Regulations, 49 CFR Parts 171-180.
 - o Registration required by § 107.601 et seq., when applicable.

Each "Hazmat employee", as defined in § 171.8, who performs a function subject to this exemption must receive training on the requirements and conditions of this exemption in addition to the training required by §§ 172.700 through 172.704.

No person may use or apply this exemption, including display of its number, when the exemption has expired or is otherwise no longer in effect.

12. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS: The carrier is required to report any incident involving loss of packaging contents or packaging failure to the Associate Administrator for Hazardous Materials Safety (AAHMS) as soon as practicable. (Sections 171.15 and 171.16 apply to any activity undertaken under the authority of this exemption.) In addition, the holder(s) of this exemption must inform the AAHMS, in writing, of any incidents involving the package and shipments made under the terms of this exemption. The release of helium contents is not a reportable incident if the release is through a pressure controlling device set at 25 psig or less during shipments by motor vehicle.

Issued at Washington, D.C.:



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for Robert A. McGuire
Acting Associate Administrator
for Hazardous Materials Safety

(DATE)

Address all inquiries to: Associate Administrator for Hazardous Materials Safety, Research and Special Programs Administration, Department of Transportation, Washington, D.C. 20590.
Attention: DHM-31.

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The following are hereby granted party status to this exemption based on their application(s) submitted in accordance with §§ 107.107 or 107.109, as appropriate:

| Company Name City/State | Applica- tion Date | Issue Date | Expiration Date |
|--|--------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| Air Products and Chemicals, Inc. Allentown, PA | Jun 5, 2000 | Jun 23, 2000 | May 31, 2002 |
| Praxair, Inc. Tonawanda, NY | Jul 25, 2000 | AUG 28 2000 | May 31, 2002 |



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Associate Administrator for
Hazardous Materials Safety